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SANG AULD LANG SYNE REPORT IS PRESENTED.

The American Federation of Labor Adjourns.

LODGE BILL IS INDORSED.

The Report of the Committee on Immigration Meets With Opposition, but is Finally Adopted by the Convention.

Cincinnati, Dec. 22.—The American Federation of Labor adjourned at 10:15 p. m. In the discussion of the immigration committee's report it was assailed by Ed O'Donnell of Boston, John Tobin and Thomas Kidd, and was stoutly advocated by P. J. McGuire, who read the Lodge bill.

The opposition was principally against an educational qualification and compulsory citizenship. The report of the special committee on immigration was read. Instead of reporting a bill it recommended that the Lodge bill now pending in congress be passed, and that this be the recommendation of the American Federation of Labor to congress and the president.

The night session lasted nearly three hours. The grievance committee was first to report. It reported a resolution asking that the charter of the American Federation of Steam Engineers, Chicago, 6553, be revoked, as it had not been legally organized. Coupled with it was a threat that if the charter was not revoked the Engineers' Progressive association No. 6614 would withdraw. Mr. C. J. DeLong of Chicago said the American Federation of Steam Engineers of Chicago was "composed of scabs."

The International Label League organized with John B. Tobin chairman. The committee was authorized to expend \$1,000 for this cause.

The convention adjourned sine die, gave three cheers, sang "Auld Lang Syne" and dispersed.

MINE EXPLOSION.

Horrible Fate of a Dozen Coal Diggers. Others Escape.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 22.—Fully a score of miners perished by an explosion of gas in Baltimore No. 2 shaft of the Delaware and Hudson Coal company. Fifty or 60 others barely escaped with their lives.

The mine is situated in the north-eastern section of the city and when in full operation employs in the neighborhood of 350 men and boys. About one-third of this force was at work.

Those who perished were at work in a plane fully a mile from the foot of the shaft. They were driving a tunnel, and so far as known were in what was considered a safe place. The fire boss had inspected the plane in the morning and declared it free from gas. The cause of the explosion is therefore a mystery, although the mine officials have several theories.

The first knowledge of the catastrophe came to the surface by the noise of the explosion. The foundations of the houses over the mine shook.

The men in the engine house, who had charge of the hoisting carriage, gave the first alarm. A rescuing party headed by John Matthews was immediately organized and the brave fellows descended the shaft. But they did not remain long below, as the ventilation was bad.

A half hour later the ventilation had been improved somewhat and another rescue party went down. They found several men lying unconscious in the gangway.

All the men who escaped with their lives had thrilling experiences. As soon as the explosion occurred they made a rush for the gangway. Some crawled on their hands and knees for nearly a mile. They did not dare walk for the force of the afterdamp would have prostrated them.

It had always been the rule of the company never to allow their employees to enter a mine where there was the least jeopardy of life, and this rule has been enforced more strictly since the Pittston disaster of last June, when 57 men were buried in the Twin Shaft.

Decision Affirmed.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The decision of the circuit court for the northern district of Illinois in the case of the United States versus the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad company was affirmed by the supreme court by a divided court. The case was an action on the part of the government to recover for the use of the bridge across the Mississippi at Rock Island.

Even on Games.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The second and third games of the series of live bird matches between Dr. Carver and John Winston of Washington, Ind., was shot. Dr. Carver winning both matches by scores of 47 to 44 and 48 to 41. The men are now even on games won and the concluding matches will be shot soon.

Fatal Explosion.

Farmersville, Ia., Dec. 22.—The boiler of Stet's sawmill on Bayou Darbonne exploded, killing Henry Mason, Ted Barr, A. Shields and Linsun, and wounding Sidney Fitch, all colored. Cause of explosion unknown.

Text of Cameron Resolution Before the Senate.

PRECEDENTS FOR CUBANS.

Reasons Given Why the United States should Recognize the Independence of the Struggling Insurgents on the Island.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Senator Cameron presented to the senate the report of the committee on foreign relations favorable to the adoption of the following joint resolution:

"Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That the independence of the republic of Cuba be, and the same is hereby, acknowledged by the United States of America.

"Resolved, That the United States will use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and the republic of Cuba."

After calling attention to the action of the last congress the report proceeds to point out numerous precedents. First was the French revolution in 1815 in the treaties of Vienna, Paris and the Holy alliance. Russia, Austria and Prussia signed a protocol in 1820 expressly intended to assert the right of intervention in all cases where a European power "should suffer, in its internal regime, an alteration brought about by revolt, and the results of which are menacing for other states."

They interfered in the Grecian insurrection, 1821-27, in 1823. England, by George Canning, prime minister, recognized Greek belligerency in 1824, when he declared, "A certain degree of force and consistency acquired by any mass of population engaged in war entitles that population to be treated as belligerents, and even if their title were questionable, it is rendered the interest, well understood, of all civilized nations so to treat them."

This has been the European rule ever since. France joined with England and Russia, and in 1827 they made war on Turkey and ended the rebellion. England took an active part in the Belgian revolution in 1831. In the Hungarian revolution in 1849 Russia openly aided Austria because of the "strength of the belligerent." The United States protested, but to no avail. France interfered in 1849 in behalf of the Roman church, and guarded Rome for the pope about 20 years. France gave as her reason that such a step was necessary to "maintain the political influence of France."

Numerous other interferences are referred to, among them the recognition by foreign powers of the belligerency of the "Southern Confederacy of America," and the Berlin treaty of 1878 to regulate the affairs of the Ottoman empire. These rights have been based on "impediments to commerce," "burdensome measures of protection and repression," "requests" of one or both parties "to interpose," "effusion of blood" and "evils of all kinds," "humanity" and "the repose of Europe" (Greek treaty of 1827); "a warm desire to arrest, with the shortest possible delay, the disorder and the effusion of blood" (protocol of Nov. 4, 1830, in the case of Belgium); "his own safety, or the political equilibrium on the frontiers of his empire" (Russian circular of April 27, 1849, in the case of Hungary); "to safeguard the interest and honor" and to "maintain the political influence" of the intervening power (French declaration of 1849-50 in regard to the States of the Church); finally, in the last and most considerable, because absolutely unanimous act of all Europe, simply the "desire to regulate" (preamble to the treaty of Berlin in 1878, covering the recognition of Serbia, Roumania, Montenegro and Bulgaria).

In regard to Asia, probably all authorities agree that the entire fabric of European supremacy, whether in Asiatic Turkey, Persia, Afghanistan, India, Siam or China, rests on the right of intervention. The American precedents are handled exhaustively.

After tracing the uprisings in Mexico, Venezuela, Chili and the Argentine Republic against Spanish rule, the report says the Spanish government appealed to the European powers for aid in 1817. The czar openly took sides with Spain, and when, in September, 1817, the Spanish government asked permission to build several ships of war in the Russian dock yards, the czar suggested that Spain should buy five ships.

At the same time in October, 1817, the Russian government instructed its ambassador in London to press on the British government the great importance of European intervention. President Monroe decided as early as April, 1818, to discourage European mediation. The Greek revolt in Europe and the military successes of Bolivar and Miranda in America gave the desired opportunity, and Monroe sent to congress his celebrated message of March 8, 1823, recommending the recognition of all the revolted colonies of Spain—Mexico, Colombia, Chile and Buenos Ayres.

These countries asked no more. They based their claim on their independence de facto, and Monroe admitted its force. "The provinces," he said, "which have declared their independence and are in the enjoyment of it ought to be recognized."

Monroe lost no time in doubts or hesitation. In his annual message of December, 1823, he announced the principle (the Monroe doctrine) that the new nations which his act alone recognized as independent were by that act placed outside of the European system, and that the United States would regard any attempt to extend that system among them as unfriendly to the United States. From that day to this the American people have always and unanimously supported and approved the Monroe doctrine.

The report deals with the power of congress, and cites the case of Texas, where President Jackson took about the same stand President Cleveland is alleged to have determined upon. In conclusion the report declares the Cuban insurgents have a regularly organized government, that they are entitled to belligerent rights, and such is strongly recommended for them.

PROFESSOR WOOLSEY.

Yale's Instructor on International Law Discusses Cuban Question.

New Haven, Dec. 22.—Professor Theodore S. Woolsey, who holds the chair of international law at Yale, commenting upon the action of the committee on foreign relations with reference to Cuban independence, said that recognition of belligerency ought to have preceded recognition of independence, and that in recognizing the independence of Cuba the committee had assumed a state of fact which did not exist.

In Professor Woolsey's opinion there might have been two motives for the committee's course, which were sympathy for the Cubans or hostility toward Spain. If the committee acted as it did out of sympathy for Cuba, then it ought to have based its proceedings upon a plea of humanity, but if it allowed hostility to Spain to prompt it in its course, then that act constituted a justification for war on Spain's part, if that country chose to interpret it as such.

Two More Victims.

Bellaire, O., Dec. 22.—Two more victims have been added to the list of dead from drinking a substitute for whiskey at Benwood, Monroe county, O. This makes the total list of dead five. Those who died later are Colonel Clegg, a brother of Thomas Clegg, who died Saturday night from the same cause, and Henry Roth. In the stomachs of Seibert, one of the victims who died Saturday night, arsenic was found. The bodies of those who have expired turned black and commenced to decompose shortly after death.

Investments of Miles.

Boston, Dec. 22.—The Boston Safe Deposit and Trust company has brought suits against 18 firms and has levied attachments each in the sum of \$50,000 against several banks, holders of securities misappropriated by the defaulting treasurer, Frank O. Miles. Miles, in a letter in which he confessed his defalcation to President Stone, stated that if certain investments made by him were carefully handled, the amount of the defalcation would not exceed \$100,000.

Fast on the Bottom.

New York, Dec. 22.—An attempt was made to raise the steamer Alisa, which was sunk near Fort Hamilton by collision with the French liner La Bourgogne on Feb. 29 last. The combined forces of the Midford Salvage company and the Chapman Wrecking company were at work, but at dark the steamer had not been moved, although a lifting force of over 2,000 tons was exerted by means of caissons attached to the ship's sides.

Want to Escape Duty.

Rome, N. Y., Dec. 22.—A petition to congress is being circulated here asking that body to admit into the United States free of duty the machinery of the first New York Beet and Sugar company, now located at Farnham, Ont., which is to locate in this city, it having purchased the plant of the old Rome Malleable Iron Works company. The duty amounts to about \$2,500.

The Cartridges Thawed.

Dunnville, Ont., Dec. 22.—Three brothers named Hiles procured several cartridges of nitroglycerin for the purpose of removing stumps. They attempted to thaw them out on the stove. An explosion followed, completely wrecking the house. Two of the Hiles brothers were considerably mangled and will die.

Purchase of Lookout Mountain.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The annual report of the Chickamauga park commission shows the purchase of the battlefield of Lookout Mountain as an addition to the park. It has been obtained at considerably less than half the sum originally asked by the owners.

Turf Winners.

At New Orleans—Tribby, Farmer, London, Seabrook, Elino, Winnie Murphy. At San Francisco—Strathmeath, Orie II, Adolph Spreckels, Weinberg, Mahogany.

The Weather.

For West Virginia—Cloudy followed by fair; warmer; southerly winds. For Ohio—Cloudy followed by fair; light to fresh winds shifting to southerly; warmer tonight. For Indiana—Cloudy, but generally fair; warmer; southwesterly winds.

CHICAGO BANK FAILURES.

National Bank of Illinois Falls Down Two Other Small Concerns.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The National Bank of Illinois failed to open its doors. The Chicago clearing house has assumed to pay 75 per cent of all proved claims. John C. McKean has been appointed receiver for the bank and instructed to publish a list of all approved claims at once, so that creditors may get the benefit of this action. Instructions have been issued to all banks having the Bank of Illinois as their reserve agent to prove their claims and send them in.

At the last report of this bank, which was Nov. 30, the capital was \$1,000,000, surplus \$1,500,000, undivided profits \$450,000 and total assets, including bonds, \$15,046,992. Its liabilities will be about \$11,000,000.

Of the 16 banks that cleared through the National Bank of Illinois two closed their doors as a result of the closing of that institution. They are E. S. Dryer & Company and Wasmandorff & Heineman. The assets of E. S. Dryer & Company are given at \$1,600,000, with liabilities of \$1,200,000. The figures for Wasmandorff & Heineman are approximately: Assets \$650,000, liabilities \$400,000.

The statement was made that a loan of about \$2,400,000 to the Calumet street railroad, of which J. W. Farson of Farson, Leach & Company is president, had caused the National Bank of Illinois to suspend. Mr. Farson declined to make a statement on that subject, but stated that the failure would not affect the Calumet road. Heavy loans on real estate are also said to have been made.

The last statement of the bank showed deposits \$12,175,766, loans \$9,148,642, cash resources \$4,983,202. It is thought probable that none of the depositors will suffer by the suspension.

The National bank of Illinois was organized in 1871 with a capital stock of \$300,000, which was subsequently increased to \$1,000,000. It was regarded as one of the soundest financial institutions in the city.

A director of the National Bank of Illinois stated that the loan made the Calumet Electric Street railway, \$2,400,000, was without the knowledge of the directors. The efforts made to dispose of the Calumet stock, which was held as security for the loan, drew attention to it and it brought about the investigation which resulted in the bank's suspension.

Out of the Race.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Ex-Congressman George E. Adams, a prominent candi-

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date for the United States senate from Illinois announces that he has withdrawn from the race and his headquarters at the Great Northern have been closed. He gave as a reason for his withdrawal that he had decided to devote his whole time to his business for some time to come.

Arrest of a Counterfeiter.

Sandusky, O., Dec. 22.—A colored man giving the name of Monroe Morris, but who is supposed to be Adolph Sims, who escaped from the penitentiary at Columbus, few days ago, was captured by the police here. The

prisoner has been passing counterfeit money and has confessed to the crime. He says he got the counterfeit stuff in Chicago.

Favors Belligerent Rights. Washington, Dec. 22.—Senator Hill offered a resolution in the senate in favor of recognizing the Cubans as belligerents.

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TEN MONTHS OF EXPORT TRADE

The official returns of the Treasury show that the export trade of the United States is steadily increasing, notwithstanding some serious adverse conditions. During the first ten months of 1896 the total exports amounted in value to \$782,931,100—an increase of upward of \$131,000,000 over the corresponding period of 1895. What is especially gratifying in these returns is the steady increase of manufactured products, which in the ten months under review amounted in value to \$208,258,255—a gain of \$13,800,000 over the corresponding period last year. The peculiar significance of these figures lies in the fact that the manufactured exports of last year (the first of the existing tariff) were in excess of those exports in any former year in the commercial history of the country.

As evidence of the remarkable growth of this export trade in American manufactures since the present tariff went into operation, we give herewith some comparative details for the ten months of 1895 and 1896:

	1895	1896
Iron and Steel.....	\$38,149,330	\$32,867,645
Wood and its manu- factures.....	24,259,630	29,125,912
Chemicals.....	7,012,761	7,518,388
Leather and its manu- factures.....	15,813,403	15,746,285
Cotton goods.....	21,477,447	18,772,818
Copper and its manu- factures.....	11,044,806	22,194,092
Banks and Wages.....	1,028,182	2,211,014
Carriages and Cars.....	2,181,715	2,221,566
Cycles.....	153,551	3,180,154
India Rubber goods.....	1,372,817	1,822,331
Scientific apparatus.....	1,745,328	2,204,828
Glass and Glassware.....	259,654	891,650
Clocks and Watches.....	1,062,740	1,304,254
Musical Instruments.....	86,442	190,573
Refined Petroleum.....	40,908,478	47,147,018
Paper.....	1,924,919	2,333,619
Paraffin.....	2,550,328	3,616,602
Paints and Colors.....	648,631	728,947
Woolen goods.....	988,500	800,434

As further evidence of the remarkable growth of the export trade of the country in manufactures for the first ten months of the present year the official reports show that these exports amounted in value respectively in 1891, 1892 and 1893 to \$168,927,315, \$158,510,937 and \$158,231,118. Estimating the total exports of manufactures for the whole year at \$255,000,000 (and they promise to exceed this figure), there will have been an increase of \$71,000,000 in value over the manufactured exports of the year 1894. In 1894 the percentage of manufactured exports was 21.1 of the value of the whole volume of exports, and in 1896 the percentage has risen to 27.3 of the total amount.

These data are of peculiar importance at this juncture, when the Committee on Ways and Means is preparing to give hearings to parties in interest with a view to an increase of protective duties. The returns of trade demonstrate, in the first place, that the greater number of the manufacturers of this country have no need of any "protection" in the home market, when they are successfully competing with all comers in the open markets of the world. In the next place, the statistics indicate the mischief that would be inflicted on this flourishing trade by the imposition of duties on the raw materials of manufactures and by discouraging commerce generally in a change of the tariff. Finally, these returns show that the best thing would be to let the tariff alone, in order that the exports of American manufactures may normally and healthily develop, as they are now doing, without hindrance or obstruction.

THE FIGHT IN OHIO.

The Journal has no wish to fight the battle of last autumn over again just now, but it cannot refrain from calling attention to the official report of the results of the recent national election in Ohio. This report should be of comfort and cheer of all friends of bimetalism.

The total vote in Ohio was 1,020,107. In every county there were both Democratic and Republican gains. The gross Republican gain was 97,809; the gross Democratic gain, 133,963. Furthermore, according to the secretary of State, the only counties in which the Republican exceeded the Democratic gain were those containing large cities or iron making industries. In the agricultural districts and in the small towns, where the voters were not easily reached by "inducements," not easily bulldozed by threats of deprivation of the means of subsistence, nor easily persuaded by arguments that appealed only to the cloudy minded, the cause of Bryan and bimetalism enormously increased the vote over Cleveland in 1892 and for Campbell when Bushnell was elected Governor. In the face of these facts, who shall say that Democracy would have fared better if it had renewed its allegiance to the golden calf?—*New York Journal.*

This country ought to be prosperous during 1897. For the fiscal year that closed June 30 there was a tremendous export of American goods to foreign lands. The larger portion of it was in manufactured goods, still the value of agricultural produce was \$17,000,000 greater than the year before. Our farmers exported this year \$570,000,000 worth of grain, meats and other agricultural products.

It is a poor lookout for the Spaniard in Cuba that smallpox has broken out among the soldiers the mother country sends to quell the rebellion. The passage from Spain to Cuba is not a very long one, yet during that passage recently three soldiers on one ship died, and when the vessel arrived at Havana several more had smallpox.

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Governor Eliot Pingree of Michigan is sometimes amusing and always original. His latest utterance—that the accumulation of fortunes of \$100,000,000 or more should be prevented by law—will strike many persons as both. If the constitution will not permit income taxes or inheritance taxes, then Mr. Pingree thinks the constitution ought to be changed. He believes after a private fortune has reached a certain limit all above that limit should be turned over to the government to lighten the people's taxes. The state has as good right to limit the size of fortunes as the hours of labor, he argues. He does not undertake to decide, however, how much wealth one person may be allowed to have, but quotes the example of Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago, who willed \$350,000 to each of his children, saying that was enough for one person to have, and then gave the rest of his possessions in charity.

"Think of it!" Mr. Pingree is reported to have said. "One man having an income as large as that of 15,000 of his fellow citizens combined!"

Why, when you get these fortunes up into the big millions, you see fathers taking their daughters to Europe for a sale to a duke or prince. How much did the Vanderbilts have to pay for their duker? What was C. P. Huntington's? It was a full fledged prince, wasn't it?

A lawyer who represented the prince in that affair told me that Huntington was going to give the money to the bride. You see, the lawyers arranged all these details. After everything was ready for the wedding, and it was just about to come off, and the transfer was about to be made to the bride, the prince called a halt. No, sir; the money had to be paid over to the prince, and Huntington had to come to time.

I tell you such things are a disgrace to a nation. If people haven't enough sense not to do such things, the law ought to limit their incomes.

German Militarism.

If Mr. John Wanamaker, Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt or even that great man and boss, Mr. Mark Hanna, were a citizen of Germany and should offend a German army officer, the officer would have the right, according to the military usage there, to kill, without further ceremony, Mr. Wanamaker, Mr. Vanderbilt or Mr. Hanna. They would be nobody, belonging merely to the civilian class, which is as a mudsill to the army officer. In case the officer should run one of these distinguished civilians through with his sword and destroy the puny mudsill life the worst punishment that he would have to encounter would be a mild reprimand from his almighty father, Emperor William, and an admonition to be a little more careful hereafter in flinging his sword around.

The words of Emperor William in the recent case in which an officer ran his sword through a workman at Carlsruhe can bear no other construction. The emperor tells his soldiers they must obey him as their God. He evidently

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AVERY'S
FOR
Slippers,
Lamb's Wool
Soles,
Over Gaiters,
Leggings
For Xmas.

thinks civilians must obey army officers as their gods, a whole lot of them, and about as insolent and dissipated a set of gods as ever lorded it even over a tribe of uncivilized savages.

How long the free and enlightened people of Germany, who pay the taxes to keep up little tin god William and his officers, will endure such insolence and tyranny is an interesting question.

It is good news for civilization that Russia, France and England will stop the outrages in Turkey, peaceably if they can, forcibly if they must. It will have to be forcibly. No matter what Abdul Hamid II himself might desire to do, he would be held back by the fanatical Moslems, who consider they earn heaven when they kill an unbeliever. Their theology needs to be reconstructed. They must be taught that Christians have at least as good a right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness as Mohammedans have, even in Turkey. Russia will be the best nation to administer the reforms proposed. She is on the ground. The wily Russian mind understands the Turk, perhaps from a feeling something like kinship, better than an Englishman can hope to do. Then after Russia reforms Turkey let her turn her eyes inward and take a turn at reforming some of the abuses in her own government.



Could It Be?

A group of veterans belonging to a Grand Army Post in New Hampshire, were talking over the state of the country during the recent hard times.

One of the company painted the government in such dark colors that a certain Mr. A., who is of an excitable temperament, overwhelmed by the recital, broke out with the following tragic exclamation: "Comrades, is it possible that we died in vain?"—*Philadelphia Record.*

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WANTED—A girl at 700 east Elm street must come immediately. Mrs. J. J. Haaga.

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THE UNION.**STREET TALK.**

The south side hose house has been equipped with fireman Boutson's electric appliance which opens the stable doors and releases the department horses when the alarm gong sounds. Mr. Boutson has the workings of the appliance so perfect that the horses are under their harness before the gong sounds the second tap.

For doing "heavy falls" (to use a theatrical expression), Letter carrier Jack Kirby is a success. Yesterday morning he performed a beautiful drop at Kirby and Elizabeth streets, much to the amusement of some young ladies across the street, who, in describing the feat, stated that he gathered in and hovered over the letters and packages spilled in the fall as a hen does her chicks.

On Tuesday evening, January 5th, the Elks will give their first ladies' social of the season. The event will be followed, during the first months of the year, by a series of ladies' socials, and on the second evening progressive pedro will be the chief amusement. An informal programme of music and dancing will constitute the amusements on the evening of January 5th.

The following officers of Lima Lodge 205, F. & A. M., were installed last night: D. J. Cable, W. M.; J. W. Rowlands, S. W.; W. J. Shepherd, J. W.; G. Wyckoff, treasurer; E. H. Johns, secretary; Dr. Laudick, S. D.; H. C. Ruff, J. D.; D. J. Roush, Tyler; Chas. Herbst and Lee Fletcher, stewards.

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Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and \$1.00 per bottle at H. F. Vorkamp's drug store, n. e. cor. Main and North streets.

AMONG THE RAILROADS.**NOTES.**

Frank Richardson, claim agent for the P., Ft. W. & C., arrived in the city this morning from Ft. Wayne.

Robert C. Jones, traveling passenger agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, is visiting his railroad friends in this city.

The employees of the C., H. & D. shops would like to ascertain why Henry Schubert has been so liberal with cigars in the past few days.

Brakeman Walhoff, of the L. E. & W., was given a surprise at his home in Sardusky a few evenings ago, in honor of his birthday anniversary.

Superintendent S. B. Floeter and Assistant Superintendent W. C. Shoemaker, of the C., H. & D., returned from Cincinnati last night, where they had been attending the meeting of the C., H. & D. superintendents.

The Lima Northern soliciting committee is not at work today, but citizens are urged in the meantime to remember that they may pledge subscriptions to the enterprise by signing the lists to be found at the various banks and business houses. So far the committee has raised about \$2,500. — *Adrian Times*.

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ROB ROY

Will Be the Christmas Attraction at the Lima Opera House.

Friday evening at the Faurot will be given over to the Whitney Opera Company, who will for the second time present in substantial form that most excellent work of Messrs. De Koven and Smith called "Rob Roy." The work is one of the most popular of the latter year productions and adds much to the strength of the already successful Whitney organization.

The opera has a very interesting libretto, or "book," which tells of the Pretender Prince Charles, upon the occasion of his invasion of England, backed by Rob Roy and his faithful Scots. The arrival of the prince and the departure outward from the incidents of the first act; the retreat of

the Scots and the hiding of the prince, the second act; while the escape from Scotland takes up the third act.

Around the prince are grouped Rob Roy, Flora McDonald, Lochiel, and other noted characters, while a large number of the people of the borderland of Scotland fill up the scene. Some of these latter are true Scots, and as amusing as they are characteristic. The story abounds in genuine humor and is of itself of much greater dramatic interest than any other that has been illustrated by Dr. De Koven.

In a scenic way the beauties of the romantic Highlands have been brought prominently out in each of the three acts.

Although the scope of the opera does not embrace a series of opportunities for the display of silk and lace, it is seldom that anything of

its kind eclipse it in point of color effects.

Nothing more delightful can be imagined than the harmonious grouping of the plaids of the clans, and the glowing tints lead to the ensemble a spectacular effect.

The company is an efficient one and embraces among others Arthur Donaldson, Albert Arling, Edwin H. Carroll, Frank Glenn, Harry Parker, Geo. F. Kowies, Horace Wolcott, Mattie Atherton, Frances Rousseau, and a full and complete chorus, together with a special band of musicians.

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CONSUMPTIVE SHEPHERDS.

Many Weak Languid Men Follow the Occupation in California.

The California shepherd is an individual almost entirely unknown to the rest of the world. Even the residents of the state hardly know of his existence, while the cowboy has a world wide fame. The reason for it is not hard to find. It is because the men are different in almost every way, particularly in disposition. And, after all, the difference is to a large extent caused by the animals they care for.

The villainous cowboy who would rather fight than eat and thinks that the noblest things in the world are foras of dissipation can get no satisfaction for his nature in caring for such gentle creatures as sheep. He wants something that he can swear at, like a vicious steer, that would be only too glad to gore him to death if he would let it. He wants to dash wildly over the range on a pony as vicious as the steer—or himself, for that matter—and ride through small settlements like a demon. The beasts in his care are not easily hurt, and he can abuse them as much as he feels like by lassoing them, throwing them down and branding them. There is nothing that gives a cowboy as much pleasure as branding a bull that has given him considerable trouble. He likes to see the creature squirm in agony as he presses the hot iron into its flesh. To kill one that is demoralizing to the herd is the height of his delight.

In marked contrast to this individual is the sheep herder—that is, the majority of sheep herders. To be sure, there are some almost as bad as the cowboys, but they are for the most part men who are employed by ranchers for so much a month and are delegated to the work as they might be to any other work on the ranch. But they don't like it. The real sheep herder, and he is largely in the majority, is the man who follows it in preference to anything else. A man who is attached to the work would rather watch sheep on the hills than be the president of a bank.

Another class of men who watch sheep are those who do it for their health. Dozens of men claim to have been cured of consumption simply by putting in several months at watching sheep. The work gives what is most required in the deadly disease—plenty of fresh air, moderate exercise and employment that is not wearing on the brain, but is still enough to keep it occupied and prevent nervousness. Of course, if a man has plenty of money he can get these things without herding sheep, but there are many men who need them badly who have no money, and all who have taken advantage of this knowledge have surely been benefited. A number of men who have taken up sheep herding have become so fascinated with it that they stuck to it long after they got over the trouble.

Of course it is not an easy matter to get employment of this kind, but if the owner of the range knows the applicant he will be almost sure to give him work, as he knows he is likely to get good service. The pay is small, about \$25 a month and provisions, which the man must cook himself, except when the sheep are close to the ranchhouse. But this does not happen often. It is no matter whether the sheep herder is an old or a new hand, the work expected of him will be the same under any circumstances.

Sheep ranges in California are scattered all over the state, but the greater number of them can be found in the foothills of the Sierras all the way from Siskiyou to Tehachapi and on the other side of the mountains. The work of looking after them lasts all year, although more must be done at one time than another.—San Francisco Call.

Prize Record For Stealing.

An old man in England was sent to prison for four months for petty stealing whose record, the judge who sentenced him said, "is one of the most awful pieces of reading that have ever come to my notice."

In 1863 he was sent to jail for three years for stealing two tame rabbits. He then got seven years for stealing 5 shillings and a shawl; then ten years, with seven years' police supervision, for stealing three ducks, and finally consecutive sentences for five years each on three charges of stealing a coat, a pair of reins and a shovel, with another seven years' police supervision.

In all 35 years of penal servitude for six thefts of objects whose value amounted to a few dollars!—Boston Journal.

Horsepower.

A modern engineering work states that a horse can draw on the worst earthen road 3 times as much as he can carry on his back; on a macadamized road, 5 times as much; on a plank road well laid and in good order, 25 times as much; on a smooth stone pavement, 33 times as much; and on a steel railroad 54 times as much.

DOOMSDAY SPECULATIONS.

Speculations as to the Fate of Humanity the Last Great Day.

The probable fate of the last man has often been discussed, and dozens of theories have been advanced by persons who honestly believe that they have solved the problem. That there will be a time when this little world of ours will no longer exist there is not the least shadow of a doubt, but exactly how the human race will perish and disappear from the face of the globe is the question that has interested the philosophers of all ages.

Some profess to believe that the oceans are gradually encroaching on the land surface, and that eventually the last man will be drowned.

Opposite to this is the much talked of theory that the water on the earth's surface is slowly drying up, the amount being appreciably less now than it was at the opening of the century. The apostles of this unique theory say that if the drying up process continues for a few thousand years longer the earth will become as arid as the moon, and the last man will perish for want of water.

Some believe that the earth will fall to pieces; others that a monster planet will plunge into the sun, causing that great luminary to blaze up and burn to cinders the earth and the other planets in its train.

There have been dozens of other theories, some of them equally curious, advanced by men who have been making the subject a study. But the most remarkable solution of the question is the opinion lately expressed by a leading German meteorologist and astronomer. He says that the internal fires of the earth are rapidly dying out, and that the sun is sure to burn out and become cold and dark.

This, he says, is proved by the fact that ice is rapidly accumulating at the poles of the earth and slowly creeping down toward the temperate zones. Places visited by Kotzebue, Franklin, Ross, Parry, Lyon and others during the first quarter of the present century and pronounced by them as being free from ice during June, July and August are now covered with several feet of the crystal deposit, which is capped with snow throughout the year. This certainly proves that the earth's glacial zones are rapidly and permanently enlarging and that the old German apostle of the freeze out theory has a basis for his calculations, to say the least.

That Europe is on the borderland of another glacial epoch has been shown by Flammarion, the great French speculative astronomer. During the last 50 years every kingdom, empire, republic and principality in that country as well as those of Asia has lost from 6 to 14 degrees in its mean annual temperature. In France, Germany and Italy the northern limit of the growth of the vine is being steadily forced southward. In South America and South Africa similar conditions are noted. At Rio de Janeiro the annual temperature has been steadily going down since the date when meteorological records were first kept in that city. The German authority just cited declares that this will go steadily on, with the effect of narrowing down the habitable area of the globe. At last shivering humanity will all collect along the equator. Finally that, too, will become a region of ice and snow. Then the time will come when the overcrowded human beings will all be starved or be frozen in a heap.—St. Louis Republic.

Curstone Repartee.

Newsboys are cute and impudent. One of the fraternity, who had a blacking kit over his shoulder, accosted a seedy looking old man on the corner of Grand River and Woodward avenues.

"Say, boss, want a shine?"

"No, my boy," answered the old man. "I used to cut up shines once, but I'm too old now."

This eloquence took away the boy's breath for a moment; then he asked with great apparent sincerity: "Don't you have to pay taxes, boss?"

"Whaffor?" inquired the old man. "Real estate on your shoes, boss." —Detroit Free Press.

Slang From the Supreme Court.

The expression, "Nor does the fact . . . cut any figure," though common in newspapers, which are written more hastily than is altogether agreeable to newspaper men, and though not unknown in moderately polite society, is out of place in an opinion handed down by a supreme court. This expression occurs, we are sorry to say, in an opinion handed down by the supreme court of Wisconsin.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Genuine.

She—I don't know whether to believe you or not. Your proposal sounds so much like others I have heard.

He—That ought to be in my favor, because if I had had any experience I would have learned how to be more original.—New York Herald.

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"What is the matter, George?" she asked in alarm. "You are not sorry you asked me to marry you and that I consented? Oh, George, I hope that is not it."

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"Then what is it that causes you distress? Tell me that I may console you. It is the duty of a little wife to comfort her husband in affliction, and I am going to be your little wife, ain't I, George?"

"Yes, darling, you are."

And there was a silence during which no sound fell upon the air except a noise like the popping of champagne corks.

"Well, George, now tell me all about it."

"Well, dear, I was wondering what your father will say when I ask him for your hand. You are such a precious jewel that I dare not ask him for you. I feel as if I were robbing him of the greatest and most precious thing in the world."

"Well," she replied, "if that's all that's the matter with you, I might as well tell you that father and I rehearsed the whole act last night after you left, and I am sure he will reflect credit upon my lessons when you speak to him."

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His Position.

She—My brother Tom played with your foot ball team, didn't he?

He—Yes, he did.

She—And he was a fullback or a halfback?

He—Neither. He was — er — a drawback.—New York Evening Journal.

Loved the Bottle Before He Had Teeth.

At No. 82 Warwick Ave., Zanesville, O., lives Mrs. R. H. Mills, who relates the following experience: "I have used Dr. Hand's Teething Lotion and find it all that it claims to be. Our little boy cut his teeth so hard that he almost had fisms. Bathing his gums with the Lotion would relieve him immediately. He knew the bottle better than all others and would cry for it. I advise every mother who has teething children to use Dr. Hand's Teething Lotion." At all druggists, 25c.

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The Root of All Sin.
The sin which is going to condemn the world is the root of all sin. It is the willful refusal of God's precious gift. A life of outward sin is the result of an impenitent soul. The disease of sin has laid fast hold of mankind, and while man is not blameable for the disease being in his heart, God accounts it the sin of sins if he refuses the sole remedy for his recovery.—"Mr. Moody's Bible Class" in Ladies' Home Journal.

Solving a Problem.
At a technical college on the continent, when the students of different nationalities had to solve a practical problem in the workshops, the German took out a notebook and immersed himself in long calculations. The Frenchman walked about and indulged from time to time in ingenious and often brilliant suggestions. The Englishman looked out of the window and whistled for awhile, then he turned round and did the problem while the others were still thinking about it.—Frowde.

Affected His Hearing.
"My husband has for some years been troubled with catarrh in the head, which oft affected his hearing. At times he was dizzy and had roaring sounds in his ears. Learning that Hood's Sarsaparilla would relieve catarrh, he began taking it, and after he had taken six bottles he was cured." Mrs. Jennie C. Cochran, 1013 Hughes Ave., Lima, Ohio.

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A Hustler.
"Jimmie, I hear you are going to have a great time on Christmas." "Yes; I've joined three Sunday schools since the first of the month."—Detroit Free Press

In cases of burns, sprains, scalds, or any of the other accidental pains likely to come to the human body, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil gives almost instant relief.

REUSS, ELDER BRANCH.

Strong Minded Mite of a Government De-
fies the German Emperor.

The principality of Reuss, elder branch, is a tiny principality of government within the German empire. The land is about twice the size of Staten Island, and the capital is considerably smaller than Newburg. The total population of the country is 12,000. The annual budget is about \$300,000.

The queer thing about Reuss, elder branch, is not its size, however, but the astounding amount of conservatism and efficiency bounded by its narrow borders.

The princes of Reuss never have been reconciled entirely to the new empire. They are afraid their own importance may be ignored. As they own most of the soil in their tiny country, what they say is accepted as law by their people. Therefore they have been able to raise considerable dust in German politics.

Early in the present emperor's reign the Prince of Reuss began to think of treating the imperial house a little better and went to Berlin to attend one of the emperor's dinner parties. The court marshal or somebody else had forgotten, however, to put him in his proper place at table.

The prince, during a painful pause, found his name too far down the table by several covers. He at once stalked out of the palace in anger, left Berlin the same night and has not been back since.

There was a project to erect in the land of Reuss, elder branch, a statue to the old emperor, but the mighty Prince of Reuss wouldn't allow it. As he owned the soil, he was the boss, and the statue was not erected.

Recently a university man in search of a job went to the prince with his application, for the prince, having but 12 men in his parliament and but 200 in his official establishment, conducts the whole concern himself. He spoke of the "reigning house in Berlin." The prince at once admonished him in wrath.

"Here, you will remember, there is but one reigning house. In my own land I am the one and only ruler. Whoever in this land of mine cheers for the emperor or the empire is in my eyes a traitor to his sovereign and his country"—meaning by "his country," of course, Reuss, elder branch.

The Prince of Reuss, elder branch, has forbidden the one chamber of commerce in his land to speak of Berlin as the imperial capital. The Prince of Reuss, elder branch, has forbidden the two editors in his domain to call his representative in the Bundesrat a federal envoy; they must speak of this gentleman as the princely envoy of the sovereignty of the land—namely, Reuss, elder branch.

The Prince of Reuss, elder branch, supplies his 200 officeholders with lead pencils of monarchical design, intended to keep ever in their minds a consciousness of their obligations to him. The three sides of each pencil are adorned with the tricolor of Reuss, elder branch, with one color to a side, and on the top, where the user's eye must ever rest on it, is "Henry XXII of Reuss, elder branch."

Let the reader mistake these statements for jokes, it may be well to mention that these facts are published in the Koelnische Zeitung, which deplores them in all seriousness as evidence of the states' rights sentiment permeating several little lands in the empire.—Boston Globe.

The Prophet Daniel and the Bicycle.

Talking of bicycles, an alarming interpretation of the prevailing fashion was put forward the other day by the Rev. W. Robinson of Christ church, Plymouth. This reverend gentleman, like a good many before him, has come to the conclusion that the end of the world is at hand, and he bases this belief on a declaration of the prophet Daniel that in the last time "many shall run to and fro on the earth." The prophet, it seems, when he wrote these words, had "bikes" in his eye, though why he should have spoken of men running to and fro on the earth when he really meant that they would go about on wheels the interpreter of the prophecy does not explain. Those who are in no hurry for the day of judgment may console themselves with the reflection that, as the world has survived the invention of railways, which has certainly caused more running to and fro on the earth than anything else, it may also possibly survive the invention of "bikes." On the other hand, if the end of all things is drawing near, it will be a consolation to cyclists to know that wheeling is to be one of the features of the millennium.—London Truth.

Not So Easy.

"Diddle, don't you think a man ought to save at least half the money he makes?"

"Yes, but how can he, with his creditors howling for it all the time?"—Chicago Record.

NEW YORK'S POSTOFFICE.

What May Be Seen on the Main Floor Every Working Day.

Despite the fact that a large portion of the mail is received for this city is delivered by the letter-carriers at the addresses of the persons to whom it may be sent, a great number of letters and other mail are still called for at the general post-office. Consequently throughout the day the main floor is a scene of great activity.

Early in the morning may be seen clerks who obtain the mail for their respective firms in special pouches or from the locked letter boxes; others who have large numbers of newspapers to receive, which they take from the building in mail sacks or carry in their arms, sometimes tied into bundles with string, at others loosely, to the danger of some portion of them being dropped while en route.

Later in the forenoon may be met persons who have had their letters addressed simply "New York City," to be called for. A separate department is kept for this class of persons and divided alphabetically with windows, at which letters, the names of the addressees beginning with "A. to K.," "L. to R." and "S. to Z.," may be received. Many foreign letters are often thus addressed, when the writers have not known the addresses of the persons with whom they are corresponding, except that they live in New York. When not marked "To be called for," an effort is made to find the addresses in the directory and have the mail delivered by the letter-carriers. If this cannot be done, the letter is kept at the postoffice for a certain time and if not called for is advertised.

A separate window is kept for the delivery of "advertised letters." When strangers do not know how to get or apply for their letters, one of the uniformed attendants, who are to be readily seen in this part of the postoffice, generally directs them. Sometimes when the stranger speaks a foreign language only, the task is attended with very much difficulty, but this may be overcome, as there is a room on the mezzanine floor where translators of all languages are located.

Many women have occasion to visit this part of the postoffice, both to receive and mail letters, and for their accommodation a portion is set apart as the "ladies' window." When this fact is known, it saves them from having to get into line with a number of men at the other windows, either for the purpose of purchasing stamps or receiving letters, and to any ordinary observer it would appear somewhat surprising were he to notice the number of well-dressed women who frequent this part of the postoffice main floor.

Later in the day may be seen crowds of persons rushing into the postoffice for the purpose of mailing letters. Sometimes they are placed in the drop boxes singly, at others in bunches that can be grabbed in the hand. When large numbers of circulars are to be mailed, they are handed in bulk through a window to the clerk having charge of this compartment, thereby saving one handling inside the postoffice.

For the guidance of those who have occasion to visit the postoffice on business, swinging signs may be seen giving directions to strangers, but despite this arrangement many are confused by the hurrying masses met with, especially if they desire to register a letter or purchase a money order. The same often occurs when a registered letter is to be received or a money order cashed, as the departments for this purpose are on the two floors next above the main one.—New York Mail and Express.

Advantage of Being Wicked.

Little Evelyn Jones went with her mother the other day to make a call upon a neighbor whose niece had recently died.

In offering her condolences Mrs. Jones said, among other things, that "the good die young," and that it seemed as if the bad and useless people lived on indefinitely, while those who were a real use in the world were the first to be taken.

That night, when Evelyn was saying her prayers, her mother was somewhat surprised to hear her depart from the usual form, and in conclusion supplicate:

"Will you please make me a bad and useless little girl, and mamma and papa and little brother, too, so we can go on living forever and ever? Amen!"—Pearson's Weekly.

Had a Choice as to Children.

Ambitious Mamma.—But, daughter, besides his money, Mr. Second groom has two beautiful children. You know how fond of children you are.

Reluctant Daughter.—Yes, I am fond of children, mamma, but they are like toothpicks.

Ambitious Mamma.—Toothpicks, my daughters?

Reluctant Daughter.—Yes, I prefer my own to other people's.—Washington Times.

ROSA ROSARUM.

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Zonda shrank back from the spray of the waves and the truck, salt-scoured breeze, chased her frightened form in his arms and regarded her with a tender solicitude, and as he drew her lighted into his eyes which were reflected by a wonderfully responsive light in her eyes. And the ocean with its ever restless surging, the sun, the moon, the stars, the clouds, the universe, seemed to disappear in a glorious harmony of sounds, vague, vibrating sounds.

Her arms crept around his neck, her eyes flashed the lightnings of feminine nature, and his answered with the thunderous force of manhood.

And then again he said with a fearful voice: "Zonda, let us have the fourth notch. I weary of all this active scenery. It is too nervous, too exciting. I yearn for the calm again."

"No." And this time Zonda's answer was firm with that strength which is sometimes given to women when they realize that they are being wronged.

"No, Waldorf. We have wandered thus far, and now if you are not satisfied even after having discovered the grandeur of all nature, you never will be. If you are not possessed of the love you have sworn, and if you have simply been amusing yourself by tasting the different precious wines of life, with no idea of a choice, except a shiftless desire to see everything and be nothing, the fourth notch I will not burn with you, nor shall you burn it either until you learn contentment, consideration and a few other things." And then with a sweet but heartbroken smile she closed the lid of the golden box and left him.

The days and weeks and months and years rolled by. At first he could not find himself at fault. It was all Zonda who was erroneous. She was a foolish, willful child woman. She had chattered too much. She had displeased him in every way. He hated her. He could not understand why he had ever cared for her at all.

And Zonda, while realizing how restless he had been with her through all the scenes of their young life, remembered how his discontent had made her also discontented, how his extreme harshness or his extreme tenderness always left spasmodic and how cruel his eagerness for new scenes, new things, his eagerness for the world, his small interest in her—all these she remembered, and so put aside with aching thoughts her love for him, and tried to welcome hate instead.

But after four years had passed away Waldorf could stand the separation no longer. He returned to her humiliated, softened, gentle and calm. He told her that he could not live without her, that she must forgive his past harshness and burn the fourth notch with him; not that he desired to burn it for flippancy's sake, but that he thought that this time it might bind them more closely together.

"Waldorf," she said, the womanly sweetness of her character banishing all hatred and illumining her face with a soft light, "love, we have burned the first notch. Did you realize what it was?"

"Yes, Zonda, it was our friendship," he replied softly.

"And the second notch, Waldorf—do you not remember how you said it would be impossible to return to it, how you hastened to leave it?" And she paused for his answer, with tears in her eyes.

"Yes, darling, our first love." And his hands clasped hers with a firm, strong pressure.

"And the third, Waldorf—the wonderful, seething, restless third?"

"Yes, Zonda, the passion of the universe was in that third."

"And still, Waldorf, you were not satisfied. You left me when I was frightened at the roar of the ocean, you were not there long to support my fears, and so how would you be if I trusted you and burned the fourth notch?"

To this he made no reply, but snatching a match from the little, gold casket that she had placed near by on a table he lit it.

"Come," he said firmly and gently. "Look!"

Before them splashed fountains of all colors, above them the ecstatic, harmonious melody of a thousand flutelike bird notes thrilled the air again. The trees still murmured, the grasses still whispered, the butterflies still fluttered, the flowers still bloomed with gorgeous colors, the ground bugs still hummed, little lambs gambled around their mothers, in the distance the roar of the ocean thundered against a beach, and near by a silvered lake glittered its lapping waters with a soothing sound. And above and around and through all this there came to the ears of these two the vital, subtle, vast chords of nature's rhythmic life melody—the realization of happiness complete, the memories of the past, the content of the present.

"Are you happy?" asked Waldorf with exquisite tenderness of voice.

"Ah, yes, so much so!" she responded. "And you, Waldorf?"

"I?" he said, flinging his head back and straightening his strong, young shoulders. "I feel like a god, and you are to be my goddess always. Is it not so, love?"

"Yes," came her soft whisper. And thus they burned the fourth notch, which proved to be

Less Than 3 Weeks Before Xmas!

Are you waiting until the last week, and then take what's left?

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Sterling Pocket Knives.
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'Tis the week before Christmas,
And all through the town
Old Santa Claus is scurrying.
Bringing prices down.
We dare not disobey him,
So submit to his decree,
And the prices we are quoting
Will fit any Christmas tree.
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TALES OF THE TOWN.

W. E. Lockhart is confined to his bed by illness.

Mrs. D. J. Wilder, of west North street, is very ill.

Pat McCarthy and Ed. Heckethorn were locked up last night for drunkenness.

Mr and Mrs. J. R. Baker, of 520 south Main street, will entertain friends this evening.

The Piqua citizens' wild cat venture on the Thomas farm, near that city, is considered a rank failure.

Edward King, of 645 north Jefferson street, has bought the retail oil delivery business from G. M. McCullough.

The merchants are not the only people who are busy with holiday trade. The employees at the Niagara laundry worked until 11 o'clock last night.

Glada, the six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Robbins, who has been critically ill for several weeks past with typhoid fever, is convalescing nicely.

Arrangements are being made by the officers of the Grand Orient to entertain brothers Bowersox and Schindewolf at Castle Hall on New Years eve. The class of candidates is almost made up and the usual good time will be had.

Children's Sleds, Coasters and Sleighs, at Hoover Bros.

for fancy Silks for Waists.
69c Hurry up or you will be too late for these bargains, found only at Treat's, 209 north Main street.

Notice.

All Union Barber shops will close at noon Xmas and New Years, and close at 8 o'clock the nights previous.
JOHN SHARP, Pres.
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for very fine Ice Wool Fascinators at Treat's. Store open evenings until Xmas.

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ABOUT PEOPLE.

Who They Are, Where They Have Been or Are Going.

Alf Baxter went to Columbus this morning.
T. W. Bacchus is in the east on business.

Chas. E. Woolery went to St. Marys this morning on business.

Fred O. Neely came home yesterday from Depaw to spend his Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Marion Matchett returned last night, after a visit of several weeks with friends in Dayton.

George Mohlman, an employee of Adolph Fox, is at Lafayette, Indiana, attending the funeral of his brother, who died Saturday last.

Holiday Dress

Stuffs at Treat's.

No more sensible gift can be made than a nice dress pattern to wife, mother, sister or daughter. We have many good things to tempt you. We invite you to inspect our assortment of new goods. They will please you.

Respectfully,

REYNO H. TREAT,

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Our Silks at this price will please you and your purse. Treat's is the Silk store of Lima.

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A Puzzle for Every body.

Grace Epworth League to-morrow night. Open Francis room. Chicken pie supper from 4.30 to 6.15 cents. Also fancy work. Don't forget this announcement. It

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On the C. H. & D. will be in effect. Going, Dec. 24, 25, 31 and January 1, good returning until Jan. 4.

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Fine \$9.00 corduroy couch for \$5.25 at Hoover Bros.

CRIMINAL COURT.

Jury Will Decide as to Jaskulek's Guilt This Evening.

THE BICE CASE TO-MORROW.

Nearly One Hundred Witnesses Will be summoned—The Wade Case Continued to Next Term—Other Legal Matters.

The case against Benjamin Jaskulek is progressing very rapidly and will probably go to the jury this evening. The prosecution closed its examination of witnesses this morning and the defense began at once. The defendant is on the stand this afternoon. The case is being stubbornly contested and every point of advantage is being fought.

The Bice case will be called to-morrow morning if the Jaskulek case is finished. It will be a long and hard fought case. At two o'clock this afternoon the clerk had issued seventy-four subpoenas for witnesses in the case.

The case against Mrs. Wade, who is under indictment for concealing brasses supposed to have been stolen from the C. H. & D. railroad, was set for this term of court, but has been postponed until the February term of court.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Levi I. Ballinger and Eliza G. Ballinger were granted a marriage license yesterday.

NEW SUITS

J. Q. Augustine vs. Abram Hooks et al.; cognovit.

George James, trustee of Herbert H. James, a minor and the only child of Willemeta M. and James, has filed a suit in the probate court to foreclose a mortgage held against Thos. R. Shaw and Fannie K. Shaw. They ask judgment on notes amounting to \$1,905.84 or the sale of lot 78 in Baxter & Cherry's addition to the city of Lima.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Frank E. Duffield to Arthur Harrison and Wm. Bond; inlot 20, Seinsheimer's addition to Lima, \$300.

W. H. Duffield, assignee of W. L. Hall, to Frank E. Duffield; inlot 20, Seinsheimer's addition of Clifton to Lima, \$200.

A. A. Harrison and Wm. Bond to Frank E. Duffield; inlot 20, Seinsheimer's addition to Lima, \$190.

Samuel O. Pierce and wife to Bridget F. Fitzpatrick; inlot 306, Spencerville, \$700.

D. W. Rathbone to Andrew Roser; part of an acre in Shawnee township, \$250.

George Middlestetter to David D. Brennenman; 60 acres in Bath township, \$1,000.

Aaron Fisher to Horace Eckels; inlot 14, Bluffton, \$223.
Horace Eckels and wife to Elsie Nickles; part of lot 88, Bluffton, \$400.

THEY ARE GONE.

The Two Fifty Dollar Prize Boxes Missing from the Columbia.

Early this morning Proprietor Jacobson, of the Columbia shoe store, called at the police station and informed Sergeant Watts and Patrolman Conway that some time after 12 o'clock last night the two money boxes had been stolen from the show window at the store. There were new silver dollars in each box, and the customers holding the right keys were to receive \$50 each.

The police made a thorough investigation of the case but can find no place where the thieves gained an entrance except through the front door or through the transom above the door.

Proprietor Jacobson has placed a notice in the window from which the boxes are missing, informing the public that the boxes will be replaced within a few days.

33c

a yard buys all wool serge and Heorietta, 45-inch wide, good goods, at Treat's. Store open evenings until Christmas.

Bohemian Water Sets, all styles and prices, at Hoover Bros.

Dolls.

The most popular gift for a little girl is a beautiful doll. We have a good variety and at the lowest prices.

A Rich "Treat"

No, we are not rich, but we have the richest bargains in Dry Goods suitable for Christmas presents that you ever saw. We want you to see them. Buy from us, for it will be a real "Treat." More salespeople are here to wait upon you as promptly as is possible prior to merry Christmas times. Our store will be open evenings until Xmas.

REYNO H. TREAT,
74t No. 209 north Main street.

\$8.50 chiffoniers for \$5.00 at Hoover Bros.

\$1.19

for good Christmas umbrellas at Treat's. See them now. Store open evenings until Xmas.

HE WAS THANKFUL.

A Tramp Bobs the Woman Who Kindly Gave Him His Breakfast.

Policeman Conway Captures a Tramp Who Answered the Description and Was Identified as the Robber.

About 9 o'clock this morning a tramp knocked at the rear door of Mrs. Deikman's residence, at Main and Pearl streets, and asked for something to eat. Mrs. Deikman kindly gave him a good meal, and while her back was turned the fellow stole a pocketbook containing about \$1.50 from a cupboard.

Mrs. Deikman missed the money almost as soon as the tramp had left, and notified the police. Patrolman Conway saw on east Wayne street a young fellow answering the description Mrs. Deikman had given, and following him into a saloon placed him under arrest. The fellow gave his name as Charles Cooper, and claimed to be from Chicago. He denied having begged a meal anywhere in the city until after Mrs. Deikman identified him at the police station, and then he would not admit to stealing the money.

He had purchased some cigarettes and still had \$1.11 in his possession when arrested. He is supposed to have thrown the pocketbook away.

Silks for Christmas at Treat's.

To combine use with ornament is wise economy. A length of silk for a waist is a most acceptable holiday gift. We have many lots, all beautiful, and they are not expensive when you take style and quality into consideration.

REYNO H. TREAT,

209 north Main street.

E. A. U.

Golden Rule Union No. 590, E. A. U., will meet on Saturday evening of this week, instead of Friday evening.

L. WHEELER, President.

48c

a yard buys handsome table damask at Treat's, 209 north Main street.

Christmas Trees.

Holly, Wreathing, etc., at Swans'.

Sleighs.

Both Cortlands and Swells, from \$18 up 121 west High street.

W. A. GERMANN, Salesman.

\$2.25 & 3.25

10c

buys beautiful embroidered handkerchiefs at Treat's.

NOT THE GOLD MINE.

A Dispatch Sent Out from Youngstown Misconstrued.

The Property Referred to is a Silver Mine, and Not the Property in which Lima and Delphos People are Interested.

A few days ago the following dispatch was sent out from Youngstown, Ohio:

"A deal has been closed in this city by which the Enterprise mine in the British Columbia gold field was sold to D. M. Hymen, of Cincinnati, representing Colorado capitalists, the consideration being \$300,000. The mine has heretofore been operated and controlled by local capitalists, who were represented by Finch & Campbell, of Wallace, Ida."

The dispatch was published in the Delphos Herald yesterday and that paper in reference to the matter stated the following:

"If the above be true, two Delphos men, who, about four months ago invested \$500 each in the Enterprise, will receive \$6,000 each for their shares. The mine was originally purchased for \$25,000, and most of the stock is owned by Lima parties, C. D. Crites, of that city, being the superintendent. Delphos parties control a twenty-fifth interest."

The fact of the matter is that the property sold is a silver mine located in the Siocan region, 60 miles north of the Enterprise gold mine, in which several Lima people and the two Delphos men referred to are interested. Mr. Willis Ritchie, who returned here yesterday, is manager of the Enterprise gold mine, and C. D. Crites is president of the company. The property, however, is a valuable one, and has not been nor likely to be sold.

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE

Will Leave this Evening to Interview the C. H. & D. Officials.

At the citizens' meeting held last Friday evening at the court house, it was decided that a committee of five should be appointed to go to Cincinnati and consult the C. H. & D. officials in reference to the rebuilding of the shops, and to see what the company would ask for a cash donation. The committee which will leave this evening is one that will well represent the city, and will do all that can be done in the interests of Lima. It will consist of Judge Robb, C. D. Crites, C. F. Metheany, Thomas Duffield and Dr. Baxter. They will go to Cincinnati this evening and have a conference with General Superintendent Turner and General Manager Waldo.

Buy a good White Quilt at Treat's. See them.

98c

WHO WILL OWN THE EARTH?

Prof. Miller Will Discuss History To-night.

The regular fortnightly meeting of the Philosophical Society occurs to-night, at 8 o'clock, in the circuit court room. The question to be discussed is of a historical character, it reads: "Will the Anglo-American Dominate the Earth." Recent efforts to bring the English speaking nations into closer union, especially on the part of England in proposing to give all her possessions representation in the halls of parliament, and again in the proposal to bind the friendship of Britain and America by a treaty of arbitration, lend to this question an unusual interest, especially in view of the great advances of late years made by Germany and Russia in matters of government, commerce, and colonization. The essay will be read by Prof. Chas. C. Miller, who is naturally well equipped to discuss a question which rests upon such broad historical grounds. Rev. C. H. Eckhardt will lead the discussion. The meeting, as usual, is entirely free and everybody is urged to attend.

\$5.00 for Ostrich Boas at Treat's. We buy them cheap and sell as we buy.

Water Works Notice.

All parties in arrears for water rent are hereby notified that the bills for the current year must be paid before January 1st or the penalty will be added.

Those desiring to pay in advance for 6 months will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent.

H. B. HACKEDORN, Sec'y.

19c

for fine embroidered kerchiefs at Treat's. Can't be beat.

A nice \$4.00 rattan rocker only \$2.75 at Hoover Bros.

Attend

the special sale of Lace Curtains at Feltz's this week. Special prices on curtains, from 29 cents a pair up to \$3 a pair.

a pair buys the best Kid Glove for the money at Treat's, No. 209 north Main street.

\$1.00

at 40c, 60c and 98c each, at Feltz's.

25c

buys a choice line of purses at Treat's.

SHOES AND SLIPPERS

Make Sensible Holiday Gifts.

Our great Holiday Shoe Sale still goes on. If you want Shoes do not miss this sale. You will find a regular Holiday offer in store for you.

Profits given away for a Christmas gift.

Men's Slippers worth 75c go at 48c.

Men's Slippers worth \$1.00, your choice, 63c.

Men's Slippers worth \$1.50, only \$1.00.

Men's Slippers worth \$2.00, only \$1.50.

Ladies' Slippers, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00 a pair.

All styles, all sizes.



Lamb's wool Slipper Socks for Ladies, Misses and Children.

Jersey Leggings for the little girls

Russia Calf and Waterproof Leggings for the boys.

You will find Holiday Bargains never before equaled at

GOODING'S.

230 North Main Street.

